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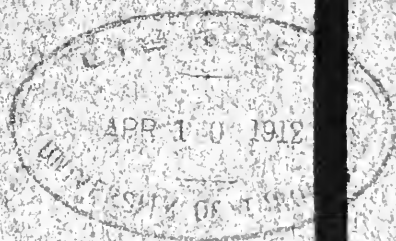
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

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3. Normal Schools close before Easter Holidays.
4. High Schools, second term, and Public and Separate Schools close. (Thursday before Easter Sunday).
5. GOOD FRIDAY.
8. EASTER MONDAY.
9. Annual Meeting of the Ontario Educational Association at Toronto. (During Easter Vacation).
15. Reports on Night Schools due (Session 1911-1912). (Not later than the 15th April).
15. High Schools, third term, and Public and Separate Schools open after Easter Holidays. (Second Monday after Easter Sunday).
16. Normal Schools open after Easter Holidays.
19. Notice by candidate for Junior High School Entrance and Junior Public School Graduation Diploma Examinations, to Inspectors, due, (before April 20th).
24. Inspectors' report number of candidates for Junior High School Entrance and Junior Public School Graduation Diploma examinations (not later than April 24th).
30. Notice by candidates to Inspectors due for Senior High School Entrance, Senior Public School Graduation Diploma and the Model School Entrance examinations and the Lower School examination for Entrance into the Normal Schools and Faculties of Education (before May 1st).

MAY

1. University of Toronto Examinations in Arts, Law, Pharmacy, Music and Agriculture begin.
2. Inspectors' report number of Candidates of High School Entrance, Senior Public School Graduation Diploma and the Model School Entrance examinations and the Lower School examination for Entrance into the Normal Schools and Faculties of Education.
3. Arbor Day. (1st Friday in May).
14. Notice by candidates to Inspectors due for the following examinations—The Middle School examination for Entrance into the Normal Schools, The Upper School examination for Entrance into the Faculties of Education, the Pass and Honor Matriculation examinations (before May 15th).
16. Inspectors' report number of candidates for above Examinations. (Not later than May 16th).
23. EMPIRE DAY (1st School day before 24th May).
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31. Assessors to settle basis of taxation in Union School Sections. (Before 1st June).

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Holland

G. ELMORE REAMAN, B.A.

HOLLAND, the land of dykes and canals, is so unique, both in its natural and cultivated features that it is a haven of delight, even for the sated tourist. Artists never tire of picturing her quaint windmills, canals, and costumes, while her great museums afford them a rare opportunity to study and enjoy an art which is unequalled in original conception and masterly execution. Architects seek in Holland a fresh inspiration; engineers give their attention to her marvellous dykes; and business men study well her commerce. Besides, there is such a novelty about everything that the ennui of the tourist is to a great extent banished.

I crossed over to Holland by the Batavier Line, which sails from Tilbury Dock, a two hours journey from London, and here I took the boat leaving at 8 p.m. for Rotterdam. The journey down the Thames is quietly pleasant and you can see the banks of the river stretching backward, losing themselves in the undulating land, where dark hedges mark irregular boundaries and occasionally a lonely cottage or stately house gives a human touch to the picture fast dimming in the twilight haze. As you proceed the distant lights of Southend, Margate and Ramsgate are fast disappearing, and going below you forget the world in sleep.

The next morning I was up on deck at six and I found that we were sailing up the River Maas. The banks of this river are very low and on either side the river lie—not fields of barley and of rye—but huge windmills. At first sight they appear to be look-out towers, but you soon see the huge arms make something like a half revolution, and then stop. This half-revolution seemed to be typical of all Holland life, for you cannot walk from one street to the next without having to stop half-way for a bridge to raise and lower, in order that the barges may be allowed to pass down the canal. Even the weather was in sympathy, for all the time I was in Holland it would rain a half-hour and clear up for the next, and so on during the whole day.

On our way up the river to Rotterdam, we passed countless ships and numberless barges, the latter towed by tugs, which made up in puffing and panting what they lacked in size. It gives one a strange sensation when first setting foot in a foreign land, and by foreign I mean a land over which the red, white and blue, does not wave. While in England I felt quite at home for was I not visiting my motherland, but here in Holland I was a stranger, with no claim other than a passport would demand. Yet one's sense of curiosity, and the novelty of the situation soon overcomes all other sensations because I was visiting one of the busiest ports in the world, a place which carries on trade with every part of the known world. It is the second largest city in Holland, and is in lay-out a network of canals. On the huge dyke, which was originally built as a protection from inundations, lies the Hoog Straat (High Street) dividing the city into nearly equal parts. The Boompjes is a fine quay, deriving its name from the trees planted upon it, and extending along the river front of Rotterdam. From the quay most characteristic glimpses of Dutch trading and river life may be seen.

It is very interesting and sometimes highly amusing to study the people of the different countries. In this particular place, the majority of people were remarkable, not from their thrifty appearance, but for the lack of it. The men smoked some kind of vile-smelling tobacco in vile-looking pipes—some of the pipes from one to two feet in length, not projecting

that length horizontally to their face, but curved downwards. Though there was water, water, everywhere, there did not seem to be any to use, as they looked as if they and water as a cleansing liquid had scarcely a bowing acquaintance; however, they and beer were bosom friends. The other sex were none the less interesting—as usual—I hear some one say. They apparently had discarded the “hobble” even before their Canadian cousins, and rather tended to the crinoline effect. I cannot say if they were anticipating the fashions or not. Besides the crusades against hat pins—long ones I mean—would be quite useless from the fact that they do not wear hats, consequently hat pins are a superfluity. The only covering for the head, if they have any, is a sometime white cloth. I do not think that the shoe business would be very lucrative in Holland, since the working class all wear clogs—wooden ones at that; however, I think that the hosiery business would more than make up the difference. I do not know whether these clogs are heirlooms, yet I have seen an apparently younger member of the family—at least a member with a small understanding—wearing them stuffed with hay or straw in order to keep them from remaining behind as he walked along. From my window in the hotel I could see the heavily laden barges being towed and steered down the canals, and I have remarked that these barges supplied a home for those who work on them and manœuvre them down the canals to the river. On many of them I saw women and children—not forgetting the dogs—and apparently the women are good help-mates, for they seemed to do all the steering; and just here I would stop to remark on how the position of woman is raised in America as compared with Europe. Throughout England, Holland, Germany, Switzerland and France—I am speaking of the peasant class—she takes her place alongside of man and in Munich, Bavaria, she supplants him, for she does all the street cleaning there.

But to return to Rotterdam. As a city, Rotterdam is not very beautiful, nor clean, due I think to the fact that there is so much water about, since canals run parallel to the principal streets. Yet there are some interesting places, such as the Exchange, an elaborate building enclosing a spacious court with colonnades and glass roof. The Groote Kerk is a fifteenth

century Gothic brick structure, well worth a visit if only to see the fine rood screen and elaborate monuments of great Dutch naval heroes. The Groote Markt, the greater part of which is constructed on vaulting over a canal, contains a statue of the illustrious scholar and writer, Erasmus, who was born at Rotterdam. The Boyman's Museum has a valuable collection of Dutch "Masters," including examples of Rubens, Cuyp, Jan Steen, Hobbema, and Rembrandt, the master of the "chiaroscuro." In the Hogendorp's Plain, at the back of the museum, a flower market is held every morning, and here the wonderful flora of Holland may be seen in all its glory. The English Church, built by the Duke of Marlborough, during his command in the Netherlands, has been used for many purposes—as barracks, hospital, storehouse, and an armoury. On the west side of the River Maas is the park which has a delightful promenade. These are in the main, the attractions of Rotterdam.

On the way to the Hague, you pass through Delft, a quaint old Dutch town, noted for the manufacture of the celebrated earthenware, which died out in the eighteenth century, but has recently been revived. It was here that William of Orange, was assassinated.

Ten minutes ride on the railway brings you to the Hague, in appearance the modern looking town in Holland. Broad, handsome streets, imposing buildings, and stately residences, are its most noticeable features. In the older part of the town the streets are very narrow, but in the newer portion the avenues are wide and lined with fine large trees. There are some splendid buildings, such as the far-famed Picture Gallery, containing masterpieces of the greatest Dutch artists; the Government offices are here and the meetings of the Staats-General take place in them. In the Nieuwe Kerk the philosopher pays his homage at the tomb of Spinoza.

A short train ride takes you to Scheveningen, once a quiet fishing village, now a fashionable seaside resort, to which people come from all over the world. There is a magnificent promenade 80 feet wide, known as the "Boulevard" and a very fine kurhaus, which can accommodate about 3,000 persons. Proceeding one reaches Leiden, an ancient town celebrated for

its University and containing one of the finest natural history museums in Europe. Haarlem, once the residence of the celebrated artists Franz Hals, Jacob van Ruysdael, the three Wouwermans and the two van Ostades, is an interesting old place, now famous for its horticultural products, many of our bulbs coming from there.

Amsterdam was the last city I visited in Holland, and I think it is the most attractive. The city is a network of canals, and with its ninety islands, might well be called the Venice of the North. The majority of the houses are built upon piles and the Royal Palace, resting on a foundation of 13,659 piles, is sombre in appearance, but embellished with remarkably fine reliefs, representing allegorically the traditions of the city. The greater number of the public buildings are in the peculiar Dutch seventeenth century style, showing fantastic gables and roofs. The Ryks Museum, a fine example of Dutch Renaissance architecture, contains a splendid picture gallery, the most famous of whose pictures is Rembrandt's "Night Watch." The house by Baron Six, the friend and patron of Rembrandt contains a remarkable collection of pictures and some rare furniture and affords one an excellent opportunity to see the interior of a Dutch Mansion. Another unique attraction is a visit to the diamond cutting and polishing mills, for which the city is noted. To see a typical phase of Dutch life one must proceed along the main streets and visit the cafés. Continental life is famous for its cafés, and it is a splendid place to study nationality and incidentally human life. It seems to me that there are many followers of Epicurus throughout Europe and that the aesthetic side of man is developed more than the moral side.

Taking the train from Amsterdam to Cologne, I passed through miles and miles of irrigated land, which apparently, is never ploughed because every eighty feet is a stream of water, some ten feet in width and stretching as far as the eye can see. Hundreds of Holstein cattle graze on these "lands" and it is not hard to understand why Holland is a dairy country. Huge windmills dot the landscape and it is very amusing to watch them turn or rather wave their long arms in the air. They appear to be waving you a farewell and

seem very much in distress over it. At Emmerich, the guard comes in and says: "*Haben Sie etwas zu versteuern?*" and you know you have reached another country. I have purposely left untranslated the above phrase believing that my philosopher friend who speaks Kant so freely; my political science friend who speaks George Adam Smith so fluently; and even my classical friend so well versed in the Ancients—while Homer nods—would have no difficulty in appreciating the above "Modern" language. The joke may be on the Moderns man while at college, but it is just possible that the joke might be on my above mentioned friends were they to go into a Dutch, German, or French Café to satisfy the wants of the inner man.

THEOLOGY

A cabbage butterfly is there,
 Moving amid the grasses,
 And a summer wind is beneath it,
 Moves and passes.

The sky is bluest of all
 You may find in summer weather;
 And near the foot of the hill
 Two children are playing together.

The butterfly's day will be over
 As soon as the summer is done,
 But the children shall live forever,
 Till the end of Eternity's spun.

A.

The University Man and Citizenship

DR. L. E. HORNING

READERS of the ACTA will remember that in the December number (1911), I had stated what a College course should stand for, viz.: for leadership, and that I outlined a revision of the B.A. course, which would more nearly meet the needs of the present day. Some may imagine that by leadership was meant the career of a Gladstone, D'Israeli, Bismarck or Moltke. It is well not to lose sight of these great men, and one exalts one's own ideals by studying their lives and works. But leadership may be more circumscribed in sphere, less full of possibilities, less exacting in demands upon one's own time, and still be leadership. Leadership in Dominion politics needs a greater talent than it does in Ontario, and in a county we need less striking figures than we do in a province. Indeed, leadership in a community is as much as the most of us can attain, and it is by no means certain that that is not where leadership is too often lacking. If each several community in a province, were to follow the leadership of a capable and well-trained guide, there would be smaller need for the greater leaders.

Now, it is too often the case, much oftener than it should be, that the man (or woman), who has passed through a University and been stamped a Bachelor of Arts, sinks down under the stress of the hard routine of daily life into the place from which he has come and counts for no more than he would have, had he never seen college halls. And we constantly hear of men of business in all departments pooh-poohing the advantages of a college education and preferring to get their recruits for office and department from the ranks of the unspoiled, the non-college men.

There is no question that colleges cannot supply capacity or talents at so much a bushel or pound. When a young man comes to college, he brings with him habits already well on the

way to formation, he has had the training of public and high school, and he is already more or less a twig bent. We can prophesy with fair certainty as to the incline of the tree. Fortunate is the student who enters the University with an open mind! Many come, most inadequately prepared, and struggle through the undergraduate course without getting a very great deal of benefit from the studies pursued. They are under a grievous handicap and suffer from it all their lives.

Granted, however, that the student brings to the University moderate talents and an open mind, there are two great benefits to be derived from his training there. First of all, he should get *stimulation*. A book or a teacher is of little influence, unless this wakening force is supplied. A student stimulated will want to get to work, and in so doing he will have to learn his own limitations. No effective work can be done without this first essential to progress, having been found, *limitation, renouncing*, that is the first step. It is not easy. Goethe in his great *Faust* showed us how difficult, very difficult, it is.

In the *second* place, a student ought to get from his University course a *passion for excellence*. This is something quite different to the desire to get high honors in class lists, unless these honors come as a result of the passion, and quite as an extra. This passion will cause the student to try to assimilate and correlate his knowledge, to live it, to embody it into his daily life and conduct. That is, he will *dedicate* himself to his high ideals.

The basis of such dedication is ethical, and implies self-effacement, truth-loving, devotion to one's country, will entail early rising, indifference to luxury, busy-ness, without which there is no hope of salvation for the soul. Busy-ness does not mean fussiness, unmethodical flitting from place to place, from one week to another without accomplishing anything; it means *organized, well-planned* use of one's time with little thought of amusement, or fun, but will look forward to sensible recreation, *re-creation*. If the student has received *stimulation*, has acquired a *passion for excellence* and has developed the *power of organization*, is a *dedicated worker*, then he will need and obtain *redemption from a narrow outlook*. A wide outlook saves from all sorts of worry, for it gives a proper sense of propor-

tion and helps us to put a proper value on the negative forces of life, as well as on the positive. This wide outlook will thus help to moral and intellectual strength, and will make the *individuality* prominent.

Assuming that the University man has received this stimulation, wide outlook, is trained in organization, is dedicated to high ideals, has become an individuality, then he is ready for *leadership in citizenship*. In any country, but especially in Canada, a new country, untrammelled by traditions, democratic, governed by the people for the people, citizenship implies obligations, rights, powers, hindrances. The *obligations* are individual, and imply clean life, devotion to duty, sound judgment, unselfish work. The *rights* are those of protection in one's calling, fair hearing in dispute, strict justice. The *powers* are those of a citizen in the state, and call for a qualified judgment on all such matters as suffrage, taxation, temperance, public ownership, the relation of capital and labor, the education of effectives and defectives, imperialism and many other such questions. The *hindrances* will be found to be the laziness or indifference of the ordinary citizen, the selfishness of his fellows or of corporations, which is a great evil, and the prevalence of party spirit, which is the very opposite of open-mindedness and of a wide outlook.

In such a brief article it is hardly possible to outline clearly what are the essential qualities of a University man, and why he should be a leader in good citizenship. But it may be, that some will fill in the outline, and that Canada will reap the benefit of their devotion. If so, this condensed sketch will have been of use.

Weather

PERCIVAL F. MORLEY

WHEN Torricelli, in 1643, showed that air had weight, and that its weight could be measured by the height of a column of mercury in an inverted tube, the first great step had been taken toward a systematic study of the physics of the atmosphere. Add to this the gradual perfecting of the thermometer in the same century, and the observation of the weather, which, hitherto unsystematic and fragmentary, now became scientific and exact.

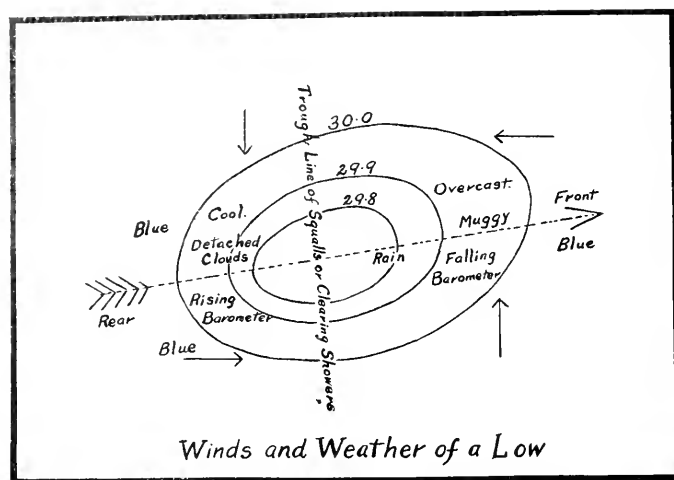
Previous to Torricelli's memorable discovery lay a long period of weather observation, with its beginnings far back in the unwritten past. From the earliest times and among all peoples, the weather, from its intimate bearing on man's bodily comfort and economic welfare, has been a subject of interest and observation. Natural phenomena, such as the appearance of the sky and the movements of animals, were carefully observed, and many fairly reliable signs of impending weather changes were noted and handed down. Thus there gradually grew up a large amount of information regarding atmospheric phenomena, which became crystallized in the popular language as short sayings, or prognostics. Many of these sayings contained a large element of truth, and show with what acuteness the weather was observed, even in these early times. But when these signs failed, there was no explanation forthcoming. The real nature of weather was as yet little understood, and little or no progress was made.

But with the advent of the barometer and thermometer, a great impetus was given to the study of the atmosphere. Methods became exact, the number of observers increased, and a large body of reliable information was accumulated regarding the various climates of the globe. Zealous students of the subject even believed that by comparing the records over a long period of years, there would be found a recurrence of similar cycles and that it would thus be possible to predict weather changes for a long period in advance. A careful

study of statistics over long periods showed, however, that there was no evidence of a recurrence sufficiently well-marked to be of value in forecasting, and so the pet theory of the statistical school of meteorologists fell to the ground.

It was left for the French astronomer, Leverrier, in 1854, to inaugurate a system of weather study which has revolutionized the science, shown us the real nature of weather changes and made forecasting on a large scale possible. A severe storm in the Black Sea having destroyed several French ships of war, Leverrier was deputed by the French Government to investigate the matter. For the purpose of tracing the storm, he conceived the idea of representing on a chart the simultaneous barometric readings and weather observations at a number of widely scattered stations in Europe. By means of a series of daily charts such as this, he was enabled to study the path and extent of the storm, and this method yielded such good results that he reorganized the French weather service, with the chart as a basis of daily forecasts. The invention of the electric telegraph by Morse, in 1837, made it possible to collect this information rapidly and to have the forecasts reach the various sections of the country early enough to be of practical use. On these synoptic charts, as they were called, lines were drawn through points having equal barometric pressure, and it was then found that all weather changes could be traced to a few fundamental arrangements of the mass of the atmosphere, of which the two chief are areas of high pressure, or areas in which the mass of air is in excess of the average, and areas of low pressure, where there is a deficiency in the mass of air. It was also found that the general movement of atmosphere is from west to east, and that these areas of high and low pressure follow one another in an irregular manner from west to east around the globe. Thus it became possible, with the synoptic chart, to predict weather changes with a fair degree of accuracy for a large area of country.

The relation of wind and weather to an area of low pressure will be understood by a reference to the diagram. The concentric lines, or isobars, pass through points having equal atmospheric pressure and it will thus be seen that these "lows" converge toward a centre of minimum atmospheric density.



The large arrow represents the path of the area, and the small arrows show the direction of the wind in each quadrant. The winds blow spirally inward, counter clockwise, toward the centre. The approach of one of these centres is accompanied by an overcast sky, an easterly or southerly wind, rain and a falling barometer. After the centre has passed the weather clears, the clouds become detached, the temperature falls, the barometer rises and the wind has shifted to west or north. Thus is explained the sequence of weather accompanying the passage of one of these areas over a given locality.

In an area of high pressure, on the other hand, there is a convergence toward a centre of maximum atmospheric pressure. The winds in this case blow spirally outward, clockwise, and fine dry weather generally prevails.

While Leverrier was developing the idea of the synoptic chart, scientists in Great Britain and the United States were working along similar lines, and now nearly every civilized country has its meteorological bureau from which daily forecasts are issued. The Canadian Meteorological Service, established at the close of 1870, receives telegrams twice daily, at 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., from thirty-nine widely distributed stations in Canada, including Dawson, Prince Rupert, and other points in the far northwest; also from one hundred stations

in the United States, four in Newfoundland and one in Bermuda. These messages embody, in code form, the barometric reading, temperature, direction and velocity of the wind, state of the weather, and precipitation, if any; the observations being taken simultaneously over the whole continent. The results of these observations are entered on a chart and isobars are drawn through points having equal pressure. The forecaster then has before him the distribution of pressure and state of the weather over the greater part of the continent, and from his experience of atmospheric movements under like conditions he is able to predict with a fair degree of accuracy the weather changes for the next thirty-six hours.

But in the art of weather forecasting all is not smooth sailing. Provided the low, or high, behaves as the forecaster expects it will, all goes well; but if it takes a different path from that anticipated, or breaks up altogether, as sometimes happens, the "probs." are a failure. Almost anything seems to be possible in the atmosphere, and from the way the elements sometimes override the "official" forecasts, and at times treat the forecaster's pet theories with utter unconcern and even contempt, it would seem that they took an almost demonic delight in damaging his already sullied reputation. These difficulties are, of course, due to the extreme complexity of the science, for in its unsusceptibility to mathematical treatment it equals, if it does not surpass, the biological sciences themselves. Pressure, temperature, humidity, solar and terrestrial radiation, topography, atmospheric electricity, a thousand and one interdependent factors; from these to deduce the resultant atmospheric changes; this is the problem the meteorologist has to solve. Little wonder the Newton of weather science has not yet been forthcoming!

Meteorologists now generally believe that a better understanding of the movements in the upper strata of the atmosphere would solve many of their difficulties, and with this end in view, European and American meteorological organizations have, for some time past, been making a careful study of cloud movements, and have made measurements of the pressure, temperature, etc., at high altitudes by means of kites and balloons. At the same time, there is a movement toward a world-wide co-operation among meteorological bureaux. A

few weeks ago, Mr. R. F. Stupart, Director of the Canadian Service, inaugurated a system whereby, in addition to the regular reports, messages are received each morning from points in Northern Europe, the British Isles, the Shetlands, the Orkneys and Iceland; also from a series of stations across Russia and along the line of the Trans-Siberian Railway, and from Alaska. Thus a large part of the Northern Hemisphere comes under review and this will be a very great assistance. But even with this addition to the forecaster's material he still has troubles a-plenty. For from that southern fringe of Canada, northward across the polar regions to the Trans-Siberian Railway is a far cry, and it is this immense area that the meteorologist has to construct in his imagination as best he can. A few outlying stations in the Mackenzie River Valley and Hudson Bay country, with wireless equipment, would be an invaluable assistance in American forecasting, and it is probably only a matter of time when this will be added to the service.

In conclusion, although the meteorologist must perhaps abandon the hope of his science ever becoming exact in the sense that astronomy is such, and, pending further conquests, will have to content himself with an eighty-five per cent. of success, he is continually gaining a better insight into the true nature of weather and can look forward to a future of ever-increasing usefulness.

FRIENDSHIP

The flower of acquaintance nourished
By deeds of gentle kindness, flourished
And ripened to the golden fruit of friendship.

Two hearts as one pulsating
One life from two creating
Is this divine and golden fruit of friendship.

—A. L. BURT, B.A.

Travel Talk

W. J. LITTLE, '13

IMPELLED by necessity or by love of pleasure and adventure, man leaves his accustomed place and seeks new and unknown regions. The call of the West is heard across the ocean, and Europe is sending her sons to populate the prairies. The call of pleasure sounds in the American millionaire's ears and he spends his time and his money in touring Europe. We mortals are never content to stay in one place; never satisfied with the familiar sights—we yearn for the excitement of seeing new places and of traversing unknown paths. It has been always the same, but each year sees the roving spirit intensified; more people wander beyond the well-known bounds, they seek a larger world and exclaim with Ulysses: "I cannot rest from travel."

Whether it be a trip around the belt line or a winter cruise to the Mediterranean, it satisfies the same ambition—the pleasures of travel. The old saying that a change is as good as a rest is being taken literally by thousands, yes, millions of people who spend their holidays in the most strenuous fashion, traveling by road, rail or water; "doing" cities; or visiting some popular holiday resort. The desire to travel has become a disease and the great transportation facilities of the twentieth century have helped to develop the malady; and also to supply the cure. Excursionists, tourists, globe-trotters,—all are affected; but their symptoms vary as do their satisfaction points.

One must remember, however, that all travellers are not pleasure seekers, that necessity is responsible for sending many people across continents and oceans, and that the army of commerce is always on the march. Those conventional travellers whose movements are mechanical and orderly, that great professional class to whom railway coaches and ocean liners are but cogs on the wheel that turns the business world—they are not the subject of this sketch. It is about the others that I wish to talk—the great concourse to whom time tables are unintelligible, who believe in asking questions without number and often without much sense—the uncommercial travellers.

the typical holiday-trippers. They are the ones who give the personal touch to the ever-increasing stream of humanity that flows whenever there is anything unusual or of importance to be seen. In that class might be included that steadily decreasing minority to whom travel is a much dreaded experience, a thing to be thought of only in times of necessity and after much preparation, and which is pursued with fear and trembling.

Toronto is not immune from that universal mania; and, in summer when the mercury hovers around the century mark, few, but the hired-men of commerce can resist the temptation to leave the dust, the heat, and bad water for at least a few weeks. However, the tide flows both ways, and the Queen City is annually the Mecca of a large number of tourists, the majority of whom come in July and August. Interesting as it may be for one to witness them pouring off steamboats and trains and "doing" the city by means of sight-seeing coaches, it is only when one comes into personal contact with them, attempts to answer their innumerable questions, and tries to straighten out their difficulties that the symptoms of that great disease—travel—can be noted and studied as the traits, peculiarities and conventionalities of the multitude divide them into the many groups and types to which they belong. The following analysis is far from complete, but has the one redeeming feature of being founded on experience—the facts at least are true, though the conclusions may be open to criticism.

The American is a hustler and he knows it. A party from Uncle Sam's domain will "do" Toronto in three or four hours, during which time they will visit one or more of the parks; have a look at some of the public buildings, and, of course, visit the departmental stores. Souvenirs of various kinds are purchased, including the usual assortment of picture post-cards by which the dear ones at home are informed that "Toronto is a swell town, we are having a fine time. Love to all." As they rush to catch the outgoing boat, they will ask you to mail the cards for them; and, after they have gone, you notice that they have used U. S. stamps. When they ask questions, they know what information is lacking, and seek it in the most direct way. They are always anxious to tell where they come from; and if the home town is "on the map" Toronto has to

submit to a comparison which is favorable in most cases to the other city. Those who come from the Northern and Western States are keen and business-like, although somewhat inclined to be hasty and self-assertive. The Southerners are slower and more refined. Their musical drawl, their unfailing courtesy, and their thankfulness for the slightest service, make them welcome wherever they go; and somehow or other, they leave a better impression behind them than do their fellow countrymen who live nearer the forty-fifth parallel.

The English tourist is more conservative and more courteous than the average American. Although he may ask many peculiar questions, and be slow in understanding the answers, the better class man from "over Home" is refined and neither pushes himself forward nor does he become excited when things go wrong. He is always dignified and seems to remember above everything else that he is an Englishman. Although one meets many of the know-it-all type, who are not representative English tourists, the men from the motherland are, on the whole, straightforward and have a little more of the old-fashioned courtesy and reserve than our next door neighbors.

It takes all kinds to make a world. A Frenchman gave me to understand that he could not speak English, so I told him that I could speak his language (I thought I could). We found that writing was more satisfactory than talking, so we compromised with a pad and pencil and bilingualism triumphed. A couple of Australians dropped in one day, asked the usual questions and gave us the usual unsolicited opinion of Canada and Australia, and all the time they smoked extremely strong tobacco and in a small office on a hot day.

Jamaicans were frequent visitors and one could not but like them, they were so polite and unobtrusive. Talking about politeness, a little fellow who originally came from some place in south-eastern Europe, takes the prize. On first seeing him, I immediately thought of the missing link, for he certainly appeared to belong to one of the lowest types of mankind. Before I saw the last of him, he had shown himself to be a perfect gentleman. Courteous, good-natured, optimistic, and yet only a dirty foreigner. Twice he attempted to cross the U.S. line, but each time he was turned back by the immi-

gration inspectors. (undesirable foreigner), and each time he came back smiling. He likely digs sewers for a living, but in many ways he is a better Canadian than some of our citizens who live in brown stone mansions.

IS THERE A CANADIAN TYPE?

Although most of the people with whom I came into contact, were Canadians, I cannot give a definite answer. There are the upper ten, or citizen aristocrats, who are stately, somewhat pompous, but not overbearing. The new-rich are sharp and business-like, deficient in manners, but well supplied with strong cigars, cash and forceful language—they want things their own way. The characteristic traits of European nationality are apparent in the majority of Canadians, while Uncle Sam is copied to a certain extent. However, one finds certain common qualities which may be attributed to the Canadian type—a little stubbornness, some conceit, a brisk and business-like manner, a dash of courtesy and good-naturedness. To those might be added some impatience and self-assertion, and one has analysed the type of which an old Southern Colonel, who had travelled over all the world said: "You Canadians are the most like the Southerners of all people I have met." That was as near perfection as he could place us.

No two in the vast throng are alike and one cannot judge by appearances. It is the well-dressed man who displays an immense roll of bills that tries to beat one out of half a dollar change by declaring that he never got it. The best business man generally says the least. The desperate criminal that a detective was bringing back to justice looked like a quiet hen-pecked man. One youth was good enough to offer to pay me twice for the same ticket and then went off smiling—without the ticket which was lying on the counter. When a man is very particular about every detail and eventually buys two round trip tickets, it generally means a honeymoon. It is remarkable how many children are under twelve and how big they are for their age; and what a satisfaction it gives people if they can beat a company. (It hasn't any soul, you know; and they haven't much). Rich man, poor man, beggar man, thief,—they pass along, and when they are gone, one can say once more with Ulysses: "I am a part of all that I have met."

The Confessions of a Freshette

I was decided at last by my mother, after much thought and consideration, that I would set sail on the seas of university life in the fall in which I had reached my eighteenth year.

There had been much discussion by the members of our family as to whether a university course would be a benefit or an encumbrance to me. My numerous aunts had expressed their opinions in favor of the idea, or not in favor of it. One aunt had remarked that I would be away from home for four years, and then at the end of that time would get married, and not use my education after all that time had been spent, not to mention the money which would inevitably be spent, too, as well as the fact that my health would be broken down. Another aunt advised my people to let me try university life. She said I would always feel a link lacking in my life if I were not to try, and, besides, if I did not learn much so far as books were concerned, I would get a broader idea of life than that which I had already received in a boarding-school.

I was nearly always present at these discussions, either perceptibly or just outside the door, within good hearing distance. I was very anxious to go to the university and promised to do my best while there, shedding a lasting glory on the family by a successful course.

It was a joyful day for me when my mother announced, one morning, that it had been decided that I should leave for Toronto University on the first of October. Great preparations followed, and the day the college reopened found me saying good-bye to my friends, who surprised me by being at the station when I left. The world seemed rather large and lonely when it came time to kiss my mother good-bye for the last time before the train started. I can remember so well standing on the platform of the car as my train slowly drew out of the station, and the strange, sad feeling that came over me as I went back into the car and sat down. I looked out and noticed big rain-drops slowly falling, and I could not help but wonder which felt the more sorrowful, the weather or myself.

From the time I arrived in Toronto last October until the present, my experiences have been varied and numerous.

My own home is bright and cheerful, and it is impossible for any one to know how lonely I felt when, on arriving at my boarding-house, which was, by the way, a lovely private home, inhabited by a rather narrow-minded lady who looks on the slightest enjoyment other than going to church as most unfitting for a young person's benefit, to be asked by this lady to go right up to my room. However, I found later that this same lady was capable of doing much more hard-hearted deeds than this had been.

One of my first duties was to register at the college, and here it was that I met the other girl members of our class, who were, like myself, very shy and backward about going into the registry office, and, it seemed to us, give our whole family histories, as well as many very minute details about ourselves. After I had told my ideas of what course I should like to pursue while attending the college, and what I had done in school up to that time, I had to climax it all by saying my name was ————. I might add to my friends, in confidence, that I felt quite unimportant and self-conscious just then, and almost clung to the registration cards with my name written on them as I might to an old friend who was leaving me for parts unknown.

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The rink has had many charms, too, and in spite of the fact that we have often been told by the senior girls, that our time was not evenly enough divided, there, we have had many jolly times. We have never had to mention this to the seniors, even though we had possessed the power to do so. Truly, enough, a new broom sweeps much better than an old one. Many of those dear friends prefer to watch other people skate; they are most generous-minded we have noticed.

There have been times when I, as a freshette, have felt discouraged and rather rebellious at having continually to recognize and consider seniority in the college, but then it has been said that a university course is the most liberal education one can receive.

A very gratifying report reached the freshettes, a short time ago, that we were looked on as a most promising class. I have some weird thoughts as to the respect in which we were promising, and feel sorry for the classes who have preceded us. No doubt it was some weak-minded mortal, who made this remark. In fact, I really dread to enquire who it was, for fear we shall have our hopes shattered.

Our year has quite shone in a social way, but, like the pendulum of a clock being swung far out one way, swings just as far the other way; so after the numerous social functions in which we have participated, we receive rather dark looks from those in authority over us, not to mention the remarks which are sent floating along, to the effect that social functions, too many at least, are not conducive to study and high standings at the close of the year.

My people at home seem to think I am more ambitious to learn the college songs and yells, and attend as many social functions as possible, than to accomplish a great deal in the class. Perhaps my second year will bring a little more wisdom and judgment with it, and I shall be better able to combine work and fun. However, the exams. are not far in the distance now, and considering that in the beginning, I made such faithful promises to do well, I must try to live up to them, and not disappoint those dear skeptical aunts, who are prepared now, to welcome home their niece, a nervous wreck, with much learning and culture.

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EDITORIAL

A Great Canadian

In the passing of the Honorable Edward Blake, Canada has lost a great man. When the history of Canada comes to be written he will stand out as one of the greatest of her sons upon whom has beaten the fierce light of publicity. The light beat the fiercer, because he was a statesman and not a politician. On account of his unwelcome experience as a political leader, unpractised in, and scorning, the apparently indispensable "back-stair" methods of modern party chieftians, history will dwell on his name when clever politicians will have sunk into oblivion.

He was a man of commanding ability, an eminent jurist, an accomplished scholar, and a patriotic statesman. His acts were conceived in pure motives; his speeches breathe lofty ideals.

Born in Canada, in 1833, his life was largely given up to his native land. He gave largely of his time and thought

to the University of Toronto at a time when his assistance was invaluable. Since his appointment in 1873, as Chancellor of the University, his name has been identified with its great work. His example has been followed by other distinguished and patriotic citizens, who, amid other burdensome cares have devoted considerable energy to the organizing of our great provincial university.

As a political leader it cannot be said that he was a great success. On account of his sturdy independence, devotion to duty, and high sense of honor, he scorned the lowly arts of political party-craft. In later years, however, through those qualities, he became a political knight-errant, and in 1892, accepted an invitation from the Irish Parliamentary party to represent them in the British House of Commons, of which he was a member for 15 years.

His contribution to his country consisted in helping to lift politics to a higher plane, and for that he will be remembered after his fiery eloquence and legal learning have been forgotten. And on that account he has at all times possessed in a large degree the respect and admiration of both political friends and opponents.

L. M.



We take this opportunity of reminding our unpaid subscribers that the term is nearing its close, when all accounts must be settled. Individually, your amount may not mean a great deal, but collectively the outstanding accounts are no mean item. All have been sent intimations of the amount due, and an early response will be much appreciated by the Business Manager. Our efforts this year may have fallen far short of your expectations; but, nevertheless, you have been receiving a copy; and we wish to remind you of your duty as a subscriber. If on the other hand our efforts have met with any appreciation on your part, we ask you to express it materially.



Without wishing to seem pessimistic, we must remind those who think the worst is past that May is yet to come.

A New College Yell

This topic needs few words. Everything about an ideal college yell should be brief, while remarks on old ones should be brief as well. The thing to think about is that a definite step has at last been taken to bring our rooting up to the standard of progress that is marking the other phases of our college life. In the Literary Society a party has just come into power, pledged to the inauguration of organized rooting, while a joint committee of judges has been appointed, consisting of K. B. Maclaren and J. A. D. Slemin, of the Athletic Union; H. L. Roberts and G. H. Patterson of the Y.M.C.A.; A. L. Phelps and F. G. McAlister, of the Literary Society, together with a representative of the faculty to receive and judge yells submitted in an open competition.

What the judges want is a classic. This regulation is both general and specific enough to include any rules that it might lay down. It cannot promise the successful competitor a slab of basalt with a bas relief of pans and nymphs, but looks forward to bestowing some form of suitable recognition on the creator of a Victoria yell, which will of itself be an articulate monument to its originator,—more enduring, we hope, than basalt. All communications should be forwarded to F. G. McAlister, to reach the Committee on or before October 15, 1912.



The Graduation Number of ACTA VICTORIANA will appear in June. If you are a paid-up subscriber your copy will be mailed to the address under which you are at present enrolled with the Registrar. If you wish it sent to some other address, kindly notify us at once. If you are not a subscriber, but wish to procure a copy of the Graduation Number, kindly inform the Business Manager at an early date.

The Victoria College Glee Club

On Tuesday, March 12th, the final meeting of the Glee Club for this season was held, with President W. P. E. James in the chair. Reports were brought in by the various officers of the Club, and the members and Executive are to be congratulated upon a most successful year's work.

The club this year consisted of some thirty-five members. Under the leadership of Mr. E. R. Bowles, the rehearsal and concert work has been carried on briskly and enthusiastically, and, from a musical standpoint, most gratifying results have been accomplished. Over thirty of the members enjoyed the Annual Tour, and concerts given in Hamilton and St. Catharines proved the Club's ability to provide a thoroughly enjoyable entertainment. In this connection, great credit is due to the Quartette, Messrs. Morrow, James, Stephenson and Ashbury, whose contributions to the programmes were most enthusiastically received. The Club is also greatly indebted to Messrs. Morrow and Stephenson for their splendid solo work, and to Miss McConnell, whose very original work was highly appreciated.

After mutual congratulations in the possession of a very substantial surplus, due in large degree to the genial efficiency of the Business Manager, Mr. H. O. Hutcheson, and after a very hearty vote of thanks to the Pianist, Mr. W. Sloan, the election of officers was held. The Executive chosen for 1912-13 is as follows:—

President, A. O. Hutcheson, '12; Vice-President, W. P. E. James, '13; Secretary, A. D. Howell, '14; Treasurer, W. J. Moyer, '14; Business Manager, W. F. Bowles, '14; Curator, G. D. L. Rice, '14; Pianist, H. S. Martindale, '14. There is every prospect for the continuation of the Glee Club's successful work, and the organization should next season receive strong support.

Notes

She—Isn't the ice perfectly grand?

He—Isn't it, though?

She—We have had good skating for a long while, haven't we?

He—Haven't we, though.

She—Do you suppose we will have much more of it?

He—I don't know, really—do you think we will?

She—I hope so, don't you?

He—Yes, I hope so, too—don't you?

We hope that the Modern Language Club will open a course in Conversational English for beginners—don't you?



A Propos of Examinations

The following is an account of the early Britons, received by a recent graduate of F.O.E., from a fourteen-year-old girl in her third unsuccessful attempt to enter the IV. Class of the Public School:

THE EARLY BRITONS.

The early Britons were the men that Columbus brought out to clear the land, make roads, and till the soil. They were Frenchmen, tall, strong men, who loved work, they came with all kinds of farm implements and stock, they set right to work at the soil and soon got the country cleared up all but a little firewood, they also cleared the wild animals out of the country, and then the English men came in and run them out of the country. Bodica was one of there queens.



Suffragette

"In 1746, an English MAN OF WAR . . . was allowed to leave Havana with a passport protecting HER as far as the Bermudas."

Hall: Public International Law.

TRAGEDY

ACT I. (Time, Sept. 27).

Scene—A Bulletin Board.

Librarian—"The Library will be open until further notice from
9.30 a.m. to 4 p.m."

ACT II. (Time Dec. 1.)

Same scene, no change of costume.

Librarian—"The Library will be open until further notice
from 9 a.m. to 4.30 p.m."

ACT III. (Time Feb. 1.)

Stage Directions ditto.

Librarian—"The library will be open until further notice from
8.30 a.m., to 5.15 p.m."

ACT IV. (Time April 1.)

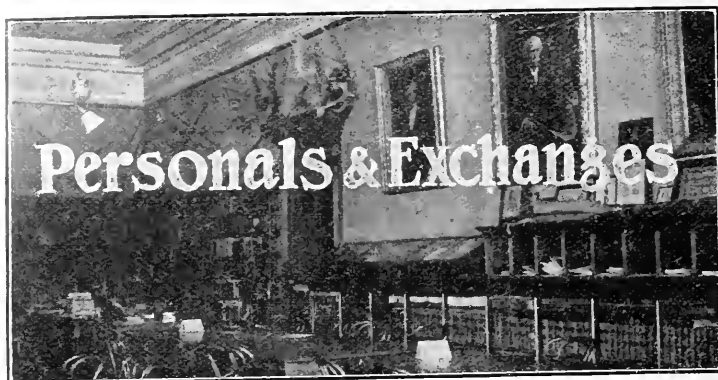
Alarum Within; Mob Scene.

Librarian—"The library will be open until further notice from
8 a.m., to 6 p.m."

ACT V. (Time, April 15.)

No Stage Directions.

Librarian—"Books at all hours." [exeunt.]



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Miss Wigg is teaching in a college in Colorado.

Miss Staples became the wife of Rev. J. S. Woodsworth, of All Peoples' Mission, Winnipeg.

Miss C. M. Woodsworth is once more connected with the College as the wife of Prof. Blewett of the Philosophy Department.

Miss M. E. Powell is now Mrs. (Dr.) McCullough, and resides on St. Clair Ave., in this city.

Rev. W. S. Daniels, is one of the ministers of the Hamilton Conference. He is stationed at Troy.

Rev. A. S. Colwell is also in the Hamilton Conference, his present charge being Dundas Street Church, Woodstock.

The same Conference claims Rev. W. E. Stafford, who is now at Oakland.

Mr. C. B. Sissons is a member of the Victoria College Staff, in the Departments of Classics and History.

Rev. T. W. Price is stationed at Swan Lake, Manitoba.

Mr. A. C. Smith, is residing at South End, Ont.

Rev. A. C. Farrell is assistant Secretary of the Foreign Department of the Methodist Board of Missions. His headquarters are in Toronto.

Mr. C. Engler is Chief Clerk of the Topographical Survey Branch of the Department of the Interior at Ottawa.

Rev. A. J. Johnson is a Methodist Minister at Galt, in the Hamilton Conference.

Mr. H. G. Martin is on the staff of the Berlin Collegiate Institute.

Dr. E. A. McCullough is a flourishing physician on St. Clair Avenue.

Mr. M. J. Beatty is a manufacturer of Fergus, Ont.

Mr. M. P. Bridgland is connected with the Topographical Survey. He is engaged in triangulation work in the Rockies. Mr. Bridgland is an enthusiastic mountaineer, and is a vice-president of the Alpine Club of Canada.

Rev. C. R. Carseallen is a missionary in Chengtu, where he is connected with the West China Mission.

Mr. H. M. Cook is on the actuarial staff of the Mutual Life in Lindsay and Berlin. He resides in Berlin.

Mr. H. L. Lazier is a lawyer in Hamilton.

Rev. R. J. McCormick, is stationed in the London Conference, as is also Rev. R. A. Facey.

Mr. F. G. Birchard is on the professorial staff of the Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research, in New York City.

Mr. G. E. Porter is Professor of English in Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

Rev. J. L. Stuart is a missionary in China, under the auspices of the China Inland Mission.

Mr. W. H. Wood is a professor in a theological College, in the Southern States. He was married last year.

Mr. J. W. Crewson, (B.A. in Philosophy of 1888, and in Classics in 1901), is a Public School Inspector at Cornwall.

Dr. A. Henderson has an extensive practice at Cochrane, on the line of the National Transcontinental.

Exchanges

We quote below from an article in the February number of the *Acadia Athenaeum*, on "Debates and Debating."

"Acadia's success in debating seems to be due to two things: First, our system of inter-class debating, and second, hard work. The other colleges either have had for some years, or are adopting our system of inter-class debating. They will secure all the advantages resulting from it, if they will apply the other factor, hard work. We know that some of our sister colleges do not take the inter-class debating seriously, with the result that their material is not developed. There is a slight tendency in our own College to take inter-class debating less seriously than in former years. Unless such a tendency is checked, we will weaken in debating ability. We must put more stress on the inter-class debates, and more emphasis on hard work. In the inter-class debates we should be more careful in the subjects submitted."

This is the experience of an institution which has won, and maintains, a glorious and enviable position in debating, among the Colleges of the Maritime Provinces. We in Victoria, seem to be awakening to a realization of the value of debating as potentially a factor of the highest importance in the education of any student. The Collegians' Debating Club is the latest indication of a serious interest in debating. May it wax valiant and live long! It fills a sphere that no other organization could occupy. But the importance of inter-year debates cannot be overestimated, and has been most regrettably underestimated at Victoria. By every means possible its status should be raised.



The *Collegiate Outlook* for February has a most delightful sketch of the "Scottish Borders," as they were in those good old days when the Fiery Cross was sped on its way, when:

"Prompt, at the signal of alarms,
Each son of Alpine rushed to arms,
So swept the tumult and affray
Along the margin of Achray."

ACTA begs to acknowledge receipt of the following exchanges: *The Varsity*, *Howard Monthly*, *Queen's Journal*, *The Student*, *Notre Dame Scholastic*, *The Oxford Magazine*, *The Collegian*, *The O.A.C. Review*, *The Trinity University Review*, *Vox Collegii*, *Hya Yaka*, *University of Ottawa Review*, *The Gateway*, *The Collegiate Outlook*, *S. Hilda's Chronicle*, *Western University Gazette*, *Stanstead College Magazine*, *Argosy*, *The Acadia Athenaeum*, *Lux Columbiana*.

The February issue of the *Western University Gazette*, contains a study of Raphael, by Canon Dyson Hague, which is an inspiration to the worker. Aside from its very interesting presentation of some of the secrets of the master's success, it is of especial value as a sermon on work. If there were a text, it would be Carlyle's famous dictum: "Genius is an infinite capacity for taking pains."

"The life of Raphael proves the eternal law of the necessity of toil, exactitude and the mastering of detail. The smallest is the path to the greatest. The evidences of marvelous toil are manifest in nearly all Raphael's productions. They are most evident in the work that seems as graceful and light and easy as if it had been tossed off in child's play. Toil, toil, toil, never-relaxing toil, was Raphael's secret. From the first there are evidences of ability, but of ability rather to conquer details. . . . He would throw all his heart into the copying of a leaf, a flower, a tiny blade of grass, a muscle, an eye, a limb. . . . It is the old story of the ages, nil sine labore, and the refutation of the old mistake of the ignorant that genius is something which enables a man to dispense with toil."

There is a note struck in this study to which we might do well to give heed, especially in these days when the most damning accusation that can be brought against any student is that he is a "plug."



Professor—"When was the Revival of Learning?"

Student—"Just before the Exams."—*Exchange*.



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IS IT AFTER HIM OR IS HE AFTER IT?
—Apologies to "Evening Post," Chicago.



AND IT WAS ONLY IN FEBRUARY!



The Season's Record

At the annual meeting of the Athletic Union held on March 8th, the Secretary, Mr. Slein, gave a very comprehensive review of the year's work, both in the campus and in the executive. Space does not allow of his whole report being published but some portions are well worthy of being recorded:

In view of the unpleasant finish of the Rugby season, I am sure you will excuse me if I pass over that briefly. Contrary to some years we have no excuses to offer—we worked hard and faithfully, but were beaten by a better team on that day's play.

In Soccer, McMaster was our Jonah again this year, and unfortunately for us we played them very early in the series. The consolation remains however, that our conquerors were the eventual winners of the intermediate championship. In both soccer and Rugby the teams practised much more consistently than in former years, and we have a good nucleus for next year's teams in those departments.

In handball, which is contemptuously designated by those who cannot play it "Victoria's National Game," the series is not yet completed and our chances are good for coming out first in the league; and excellent, I might almost say certain of finishing in second place.

The tennis department has been seriously handicapped by the lack of courts this year. The new ones on the campus were in good shape but were insufficient to satisfy the demand. Despite these handicaps, the tournament was partially com-

pleted, all the events being closely contested. Next year we hope to have the old courts restored and the tennis committee ought to have much better success.

Until two years ago, we never had a basketball team and even yet the interest in that game is not as great as it should be, according to the success we have had. We have not won the Sifton Cup yet, but we gave the Dents a big score this year in the semi-finals.

Through the glorious victory of our hockey team over the Dents, the Jennings Cup has come back to its proper place. Had I the eloquence of an orator or the inspiration of a poet, I might pay a fitting tribute to those who have brought this honor to their Alma Mater. Hard work, consistent training, able management, coupled with firm determination, brought about the result that you all know.

The water polo team made an excellent showing and established this sport on a firm footing as far as Victoria is concerned. J. H. Stoneman won his event in the Inter-Faculty Boxing tournament and is entitled to our congratulations on his success. With regard to the inter-year sports, especially in hockey, the schedule was completed this year, the second year winning the cup. It is sufficient to mention Field Day to recall its success to your minds. It has increased in popularity and interest each year and the inter-year contests serve as a unifying force and an impetus to class spirit, especially among the freshmen. This year, the individual championship was again won by Mr. A. C. Burley, C.T.

We hope the members of the Union approve of the installation of electric lighting in the Athletic Building. It has been left to us this year to take up the question of extending the athletic building. The undertaking has been carefully considered, the need is evident and our means are adequate.

The old question of our representatives on University teams is one of historic mention. It is a singular thing if men who have made the finals in rugby and hockey for the last three years, cannot get out and qualify for some of the university teams. Men, it's up to you! Show the University that Victoria does not keep the men for inter-faculty games, if they are good enough for faster company!

New Athletic Union Executive

Honorary President	Professor Sissons.
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First Vice-President	A. W. Burt ('14).
Second Vice-President	J. M. Bishop ('15)
Treasurer	H. C. Burwash ('13)
Secretary	T. W. McDowell ('14).
To be elected—Representatives from Rugby, Soccer, Hockey, Basketball, Alley, Tennis, The- ology and First Year ('16).	



Financial Statement

At the annual meeting the following approximate statement of the finances of the Athletic Union was presented by the Treasurer, Mr. W. C. Graham:

Receipts.

Balance from 1910-11	\$2,420 63
Proceeds of Lockers and Fees	270 00
Rent, etc.	98 00
Receipts from Rink, 1911 (estimated)	200 00
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	\$5,488 63

Expenses.

Buildings and Grounds	545 53
Current Athletics	253 30
Medical attendance, etc.	31 60
Miscellaneous	125 00
Balance to 1912-13 (estimated)	4,533 20
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You and I are in a hilarious mood. Aren't we? And the reason is, that the exams. are getting closer and closer. Isn't it? And you and I love to write in examination-books. Don't we? We have celestial joy in filling our fountain pens and craniums as full as we can, and spreading the combined contents over as much surface as possible. Haven't we? Our work is in a fine state. Isn't it? Of chaos, we mean. But we delight to double ourselves over our tables and cram till our vertebrae set in a hunch, and our eyes are double. Don't we? And all our subjects are so interesting—our notes are so inspiring and legible—our texts are so fascinating and short. Aren't they? We wish it were the first of May, now. Don't we? But not the twenty-first. Do we? You and I are going to have such a lovely time this next month. Aren't we? Why shouldn't we be in a hilarious mood? We should . . . NOT.

Miss F—r—ey, '12 (giving the missionary report at a Y.W.C.A. meeting)—“The missionary committee performed some new stunts this year.”

Observing person in the Second Year, commenting on the appearance of the ladies and gentlemen entering lectures the morning after the Senior Reception—“Isn't it funny what a difference just a few hours make?”

Miss Spence, '13 (suffering in the ocular region from the vagaries of a hockey puck), suddenly called upon to occupy the Professor's chair and read her English essay, exclaims in an awe-struck whisper—“Oh, my eye!”

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Five (5) questions to be answered.

1. "Cold water is a cure for all student failings." Discuss.
2. Consider the probable effect of the Anglo-German alliance in the Modern Language Club.
3. Compare the style and writing of F. Ow—n, A. L. Ph—lps and Chaucer.
4. Make a rough sketch plan of Annesley Hall reception room, showing double seats, etc.
5. "To skate forever and forever."—J. D. Sl—m—n. Discuss causes and results of this exclamation.
6. "He avoided the mild-eyed co-eds." To what extent is this true of H. C. J—ffr—s? H. J. G—dy—r? T. D. Wh—l—r? H. G. F—rst—r? and Fletch K—rr?
7. "Athletics are responsible for the square all-round man." Explain.
8. Write notes on nine of the following: (1) Women's Open Lit., (2) The Ladies' Parlors, (3) William, (4) Salem, (5) Where was the Freshman-reception when the lights went out? (6) Eating Clubs, (7) The physical results of the Senior Dinner. (8) The Political Science course as a preparation for the ministry

We take this privilege of informing our young friend who sought our aid. The question was, "Please tell me when a gentleman should lift his hat?" After a thorough search in all the hand-books of etiquette we have, we say, that on the following occasions the hat should be lifted or entirely removed: When mopping the brow, when taking a bath, when eating, when taking up the collection, when having the hair trimmed, when being shampooed, or when standing on the head."

Any other such enquiries will receive a cheerful response.

Miss Dafoc, '11 (seeing in the library a freshman with a prodigious pile of books under his arm)—"Who is this with such ambition?"

Friend—"Why, that's Mr. Doolittle."

Miss Dafoc—"I would call him Mr. Do-a-lot."

Will someone prevail upon the powers that be to place some tanglefoot upon which the Freshies may stamp their feet when Dr. R—y—r cracks a joke?

Mr. A—g—r (arranging the time for a conference with a fair freshette): "Oh, just drop in any time when you think nobody else is around."

Professor (in second year geology)—"Finally the medieval geologists discovered that these fossil remains were not the same as living fossils." Remarkable! Isn't it? What department was he referring to?

Miss An—d—r, '13, to Miss Rouse, Secretary of World's Students' Missionary Movement: "How do the girls in College residences in Europe compare with the girls in our residences in Canada?—Take those in Oxford, for instance."

Prof. D—w—tt, (commenting gently on the whispering of the fourth year)—"This isn't a Freshman Reception. Cut it out."

J. I. G—rd—n, '15—translating "Aut orientis Haedis," "Or the kids when they are rising."

The results of the elections of the Victoria College Athletic Club were as follows: Honorary President, Miss Lowry, '12; President, Miss Cuthbertson, '13; Fourth Year Representative, Miss Henderson, '13; Third Year Representative, Miss Luke, '14; Second Year Representative, Miss Davis, '15; Secretary-Treasurer, Miss Flanders, '14; Ice Hockey Captain, Miss Burns, '14; Field Hockey Captain, Miss Denne, '15; Basketball Captain, Miss Reid, '13; Tennis Captain, Miss Merritt, '13.

The Executive for the Women's Literary Society of the College for next year will be: Honorary President, Mrs. Anger; President, Miss Spence, '13; Vice-President, Miss Oldham, '13; Recording-Secretary, Miss Clarke, '14; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Granger, '15; Literary Editor of ACTA, Miss Whitney, '13; Critic, Miss Cook, '13; Assistant Critic, Miss Morgan, '14; Athletic Editor of ACTA, Miss Edwards, '14; Locals Editor of ACTA, Miss Jones, '14; Pianist, Miss French, '13.

The last meeting of the Y. W. C. A. for this year was held on Monday, March 11th. It was Senior Day, which has become a characteristic day in the Association. The entire programme came from the Seniors, a number of whom gave interesting college impressions and helpful parting advice. After the presentation of a University pin to the retiring President, Miss Trimble, Mrs. Graham, the Honorary President, invited the girls to stay to partake of refreshments which she had provided. This brought the last meeting of a very successful year to a pleasing close.

Miss B—t—ng, '13 (spying Dr. Snow on the rink among the falling snowflakes): "Dr. Snow has no business to be on the rink to-day. There is too much snow on it already."

Miss McK—n—sh, '12 (reading enps)—"I see a Chinaman here."—Then, upon closer investigation—"Well, I don't know whether it is a Chinaman or a professor."

Miss N—ert—n, '15: "Talk about marriage being a lottery. Why, it isn't in it with the Senior Dinner."

Miss B—k—r, '12: "In German Literature we have about sixty writers to study, besides all sorts of movements."

Miss McI—sh, '12, (sententiously): "Every little movement has a meaning all its own."

Miss F—ch, '13, discussing a lecture on Political Economy: "When horses are transported across the country in trains how are they fed? Are they let out to pasture at the different stations?"

The study of economy sometimes induces remarkably bright ideas regarding its practice.

A. M. W—s—, '14 (Our last on Andy)—"The greatest incentive for any young man to get through College is to know that someone is waiting for him." How does he know?

J. B—sh—p, C. T., rushing heedlessly, bumped into a pretty maiden. "Gracious!" he exclaimed, "That's the nearest thing to a hug I ever had!" Yes???

Miss Going, '14, to Mr. R—d, who was growing loquacious; "I wish you wouldn't talk so much. I used to think you were very quiet."

Mr. R—d.—"Not when I get a-Going."

Word had just reached the College that Eatons were installing safety raisers (razors) in place of elevators.

Miss F—n—h, '13, toiling laboriously up to a lecture on the third floor.—"The elevators aren't in running order to-day."

Miss B—rns, '13, "No, I guess they are putting in a safety-razor here, too."

Miss F——, "Well, I'm afraid I would never have the face to use it."

Prof. A—g—r—"John Wesley really belonged to an earlier school than he really belonged to."

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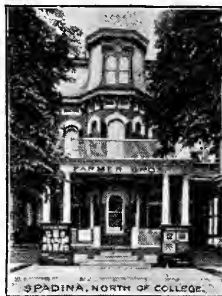
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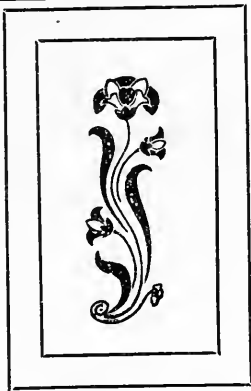
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